

General Assembly

Senate Joint Resolution No. 4

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Referred to Committee on Government Administration and Elections

Introduced by: (GAE)

RESOLUTION PROPOSING A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT CONCERNING VOTING WITHOUT APPEARING AT A POLLING PLACE.

Resolved by this Assembly:

- 1 That the following be proposed as an amendment to the
- 2 Constitution of the State, which, when approved and adopted in the
- 3 manner provided by the Constitution, shall, to all intents and
- 4 purposes, become a part thereof:
- 5 Section 7 of article sixth of the constitution is amended to read as
- 6 follows:
- 7 The general assembly may provide by law for voting in the choice of
- 8 any officer to be elected or upon any question to be voted on at an
- 9 election by qualified voters of the state [who are unable to appear at
- 10 the polling place on the day of election because of absence from the
- 11 city or town of which they are inhabitants or because of sickness or
- 12 physical disability or because the tenets of their religion forbid secular
- activity] without appearing in person at a polling place.

14 RESOLVED: That the foregoing proposed amendment to the 15 constitution be continued to the next session of the general assembly 16 elected at the general election to be held on November 7, 2006, and 17 published with the laws passed at the present session, or be presented 18 to the electors at the general election to be held on November 7, 2006, whichever the case may be, according to article sixth of the 19 20 amendments to the constitution. The designation of said proposed 21 amendment to be used on the voting machine ballot labels and 22 absentee ballots at such election shall be, "Shall the constitution of the 23 state be amended to authorize voting without appearing in person at a 24 polling place?"

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]